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SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION FOR REISSUE PATENT APPLICATION TO CORRECT
“ERRORS” STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. 1.175)

As applicant, I hereby declare, upon information and belief:

I believe original patent U.S. Patent No. 5,983,314 to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, by reason of claiming less than I had the right to claim in the patent.

For example, originally issued U.S. Patent No. 5,983,314 did not include claims directed to method embodiments of the invention disclosed in the application. Accordingly, a Preliminary Amendment was filed on November 9, 2001 in Application No. 10/006,785 (“the ‘785 application”), to add method claims directed to various method embodiments of the invention. The method claims of the ‘785 application were restricted and then prosecuted to allowance in Application No. 10/460,813 (“the ‘813 application”), a divisional application of the ‘785 application. The allowed claims from the ‘813 application have been added to the ‘785 application to consolidate all allowable claims therein.

This error and all other errors corrected in this reissue application and which are not covered by the prior declarations submitted in this application, arose without any deceptive intention on my part.

I hereby declare that all statements made of my knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and may also jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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